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# Asia Society Hong Kong Center Unveils Joseph Lau and Josephine Lau Roof Garden

(Hong Kong, October 21, 2013) Asia Society Hong Kong Center has unveiled Joseph Lau and Josephine Lau Roof Garden. Mr Joseph Lau has been one of the key supporters of Asia Society Hong Kong Center and contributed significantly to the revitalization of the Former Explosives Magazine Compound by The Joseph Lau Luen Hung Charitable Trust.

"It is Asia Society Hong Kong Center's honor to be entrusted by Mr. Joseph Lau. In recognition of his generosity, the Center's roof garden was named after him when the Center first opened in February 2012. Mr. Lau's latest contribution has facilitated the renaming of the roof garden to Joseph Lau and Josephine Lau Roof Garden. We are grateful to Mr. Lau and the family for their generous support to the Center that enables us to continue to serve as a dynamic educational institution to the local community," S. Alice Mong, Executive Director of Asia Society Hong Kong Center commented.

Set against the Admiralty skyline, Joseph Lau and Josephine Lau Roof Garden is a serene outdoor venue that forms part of the understated and elegant design of Asia Society Hong Kong Center by Tod Williams Billie Tsien Architects. For more details, please visit <a href="http://asiasociety.org/hong-kong">http://asiasociety.org/hong-kong</a>.

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### **About Asia Society**

Founded in 1956 by John D. Rockefeller 3rd in New York as a not-for-profit, non-government educational organization, The Asia Society is a leading educational organization dedicated to promoting mutual understanding and strengthening partnerships among peoples, leaders, and institutions of Asia and the United States in a global context.

## **Asia Society Hong Kong Center**

As one of the eleven centers of The Asia Society, Asia Society Hong Kong Center (the "Hong Kong Center") was established in 1990 by a group of Hong Kong community leaders, led by Sir Q.W. Lee, the honorary chairman of Hang Seng Bank. As the leading regional knowledge-based platform for furthering the understanding of the countries and cultures of Asia and global issues that impact the region, Asia Society Hong Kong Center boasts extensive regional and international networks of leaders and scholars, and recognized expertise in business and policy, arts and culture, and educational programming for a wide range of audiences. In February 2012, the Hong Kong Center established its new permanent home in Admiralty, Hong Kong.



# **About Asia Society Gallery (Former Magazine A)**

Built between 1863 and 1868, Asia Society Gallery is the oldest building in the Former Explosives Magazine, the historic fabric and features of this imposing structure have been thoughtfully restored and adapted for use as a modern exhibition space of international museum standard. Asia Society Gallery brings together established artists and aspiring talent who share a commitment to promoting Asian arts and culture, and to bringing the best and culturally inspiring in visual arts to the Hong Kong public.

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